

To be used with:

It All Adds Up to the Versatile Pig

Name _____

A Pig Grows Up

A piglet usually feeds from its mother until it is four to six weeks old and weighs about 25 pounds. Then it begins to eat feed grain and is known as a feeder pig. It takes about six months for a pig to reach market weight of 250 pounds.

1. After a pig stops feeding from its mother, how many pounds does it have to gain to be ready for market? _____ lbs.
2. Once a pig starts eating feed grains, how many bushels of feed must a pig eat to reach market weight? (Count them in the picture). _____ bushels
3. Each bushel contains about 58 pounds of feed. How many pounds of feed does the pig eat? _____ lbs.
4. About 120 pounds of the feed that each pig eats is protein and mineral supplements. How much of the feed is corn? _____ lbs.
5. What percent of the total feed is made up of corn? (Round to the nearest whole number. _____ %
6. How many piglets are usually in a litter? (Count them in the picture.) _____ piglets
7. How many bushels of feed will the farmer need to raise all the pigs? _____ bushels
8. How many pounds of corn will all eight pigs eat? _____ lbs.
9. If all the pigs were at the average market weight when they are sold, what was the total weight of all eight pigs? _____ lbs.
10. If the farmer sold the pigs for 40 cents per pound, how much money was paid for all of the pigs?
\$ _____
11. How much was one pig worth? \$ _____

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Answer Key

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1. After a pig stops feeding from its mother, how many pounds does it have to gain to be ready for market? 225 lbs.
2. Once a pig starts eating feed grains, how many bushels of feed must a pig eat to reach market weight? (Count them in the picture). 15 bushels
3. Each bushel contains about 58 pounds of feed. How many pounds of feed does the pig eat? 870 lbs.
4. About 120 pounds of the feed that each pig eats is protein and mineral supplements. How much of the feed is corn? 750 lbs.
5. What percent of the total feed is made up of corn? (Round to the nearest whole number.
86 %
6. How many piglets are usually in a litter? (Count them in the picture.) 8 piglets
7. How many bushels of feed will the farmer need to raise all the pigs? 120 bushels
8. How many pounds of corn will all eight pigs eat? 6000 lbs.
9. If all the pigs were at the average market weight when they are sold, what was the total weight of all eight pigs? 2000 lbs.
10. If the farmer sold the pigs for 40 cents per pound, how much money was paid for all of the pigs?
\$ 800
11. How much was one pig worth? \$ 100